

City Manager

Appointed by the City Council, the City Manager prepares all Council meeting agendas and implements all policies, programs and ordinances adopted by the Council. In addition, the Manager evaluates overall community concerns and works toward solutions to problems, provides administrative support to the Council and appoints all department heads and other employees.

City Attorney

The City Attorney attends all Council meetings as an advisor on questions of law and procedure. The City Attorney is responsible for preparing the City's legislative program and represents the City and its officials in all legal matters. The City Attorney drafts and approves all ordinances, resolutions, legal opinions, legal briefs and other legal documents.

City Clerk

The City Clerk records the minutes of all Council meetings, the text of ordinances, resolutions, motions and the votes of Council. The Clerk is also responsible for notification of meetings and public hearings and the compilation and distribution of agendas.

A printed agenda, provided for each meeting, is available from the City Clerk's office prior to the meeting or from the Council

Courier during the meeting. The agenda lists in order items to be considered by the Council. However, the Mayor and other Council members reserve the right to take items out of order under some circumstances.

Council Courier

The City Council Courier is an employee selected to serve at a Council meeting. The Courier greets citizens, hands out agendas, helps to explain Council procedures and will occasionally help staff members and the Council with information and other services.

Contacting Your City Government

Both the City Clerk and City Council offices are located in Room 222 of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, One Governmental Plaza, 300 West Washington Street. The mailing address is PO Box 3136, Greensboro, NC 27402-3136.

The City Clerk can be reached by phone at 373-2397. Council members can be contacted at 373-2396.

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City of Greensboro

Core Purpose

We exist to partner with the community to build the desired quality of life for Greensboro. All of our actions are guided by our commitment to and measured by our success in building public trust and the future we and the community desire. Critical to our success is maintaining a work environment which fosters employee commitment to public service and making a difference in the lives of our citizens.

Core Values

Honesty

- Being truthful, ethical and principled.

Integrity

- Firm adherence to a standard of values.

Stewardship

- Accountability for the current and future use of community resources.

Respect

- Treating people with dignity and showing genuine consideration for others.

The City Seal

The official city seal is a replica of the statue of General Greene surrounded by an oak leaf wreath. The oak leaf is symbolic of sturdiness and durability.



In 1808, Greensboro received its corporate charter from the North Carolina General Assembly. The seal has been in use for decades; however, there are no records available that determine when it was adopted.

The City Logo

A gracefully tapering branch, sprouting an oak leaf, forms the G in Greensboro's logo and suggests steady growth and vitality which our City enjoys. The oak traditionally symbolizes wisdom, strength and durability for a modern, forward-looking city rooted in tradition and dignity.



Government in Greensboro

Greensboro has operated under a Council-Manager form of government since 1921. Under this form of government, the City Council sets policies and enacts ordinances, which in turn are carried out by the City Manager, who is the Chief Executive Officer of the City.

The City Council

The City Council consists of nine citizens elected to serve two-year terms. The Mayor is a member of the Council, presides over Council meetings and is the Council spokesperson. The Mayor Pro Tem is selected by the Council and acts as chairperson in the absence of the Mayor.

The City is divided into five districts. One Council member is elected from each district. The Mayor and three Council members are elected at-large by citywide vote. All Council members are elected by the citizens of Greensboro and elections are held in November of odd-numbered years.

The Greensboro City Council meets regularly on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6pm. In the event that the regularly scheduled meeting falls on a holiday, it is canceled. All meetings are held in the Council Chamber on the second floor of the Melvin Municipal Office Building, One Governmental Plaza.

Addressing the City Council

If you wish to speak on an item on the agenda, please complete a speaker's form, available from the Council Courier. The Mayor then asks all who are in favor, or opposed to an issue, to come forward and speak. We ask that you use the podium and furnish us with your name and address for the record. The Mayor and Council reserve the right to limit any speaker to a reasonable period of time, or to information not covered by a previous speaker.

If you wish to speak on an item not on the printed agenda, we ask that you wait until that portion of the meeting reserved for Speakers from the Floor. So that you may be recognized at the appropriate time, we ask that you fill out a speaker's form.

All City Council meetings are broadcast live over cable channel 13, the local government access channel.

